LESSONS FROM A SORCERER

Scripture Reading: Acts 8:18-23

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Introduction:

- 1. No one is flawless. We all have imperfections to work through.
- 2. Simon the Sorcerer sinned and fell short of the glory of God.
- 3. From Simon the sorcerer we learn...

I. SALVATION IS FOR EVERYONE

- A. UNDER THE OLD LAW
 - 1. Sorcerers were to be put to death –De 18:9-14
 - 2. Under the NT they are to be converted

B. WE DESIRE ALL TO BE SAVED

- 1. Ministry of reconciliation -2Co 5:18-21
- 2. Treasure in earthen vessels -2Co 4:7

II. HE SINNED AS A CHRISTIAN

A. OLD HABITS ARE HARD TO BREAK

B. SATAN STILL PULLS ON US

- 1. Like a roaring lion -1Pe 5:8
- 2. Evil companions -1Co 15:33

III. HE NEEDED TO REPENT

- A. WALKING IN THE LIGHT -1Jn 1:7
 - 1. Continual cleansing for those in the Light
 - 2. This disproves the "Once saved; always saved" doctrine

B. PETER'S WARNING

- 1. Done in truth and in love –Ga 6:1, Ep 4:15
- 2. He snatched Simon from the fire –Ju 23

Conclusion:

- 1. We realize that no one is perfect. We all have fundamentals to work on.
- 2. We all need the cleansing blood of Jesus in our daily walk with Him.